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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN: RIGHT-SIZING THE OFFICE OF THE DEFENSE REPRESENTATIVE

- 11. (U) This is an action request see Para 4.
- $frac{\P}{2}$. (U) Following 9/11, military assistance to Pakistan increased so sharply that the U.S. security assistance program here is now the third largest in the world. Since 2002, DoD has provided just under \$7 billion in funding to Pakistan, primarily through Coalition Support Funds. Despite this, the number of permanent staff assigned to the Office of the Defense Representative, Pakistan (ODRP) has remained unchanged. In recent years, DoD has addressed the increase in ODRP's personnel needs by supplementing permanent staff with TDYers.
- 13. (U) Post requests ODRP staffing be normalized to reflect the ongoing security relationship with Pakistan - one that is likely to grow over coming years. This adjustment is not only practical - providing much-needed institutional knowledge and continuity to ODRP - but will also serve a U.S. policy goal by sending a clear message to Pakistan that our commitment to the security relationship is serious and long-term.
- $\P4$. (SBU) We therefore request that CENTCOM establish 23 new billets in ODRP - 11 as new positions and 12 as conversions from TDY to permanent. We understand that some of these changes are in process and request status of billet changes.

CONVERSIONS FROM TDY TO PCS

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-- ODRP chief from TDY to permanent 18-month, 2-star position
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- -- Army LNO, 0-6, 1 year PCS
 -- Navy LNO, 0-6, 1 year PCS
 -- Air Force LNO, 06, 1 year PCS
 -- Chief of Staff/Exec, AF 0-5, 1 year PCS
- -- Protocol Officer, Army 0-4, 1 year PCS
- -- Executive NCO, AF E-7, 1 year PCS
 -- Intel Officer, Army 0-5, 1 year PCS
- -- Airport Liaison Senior NCO, 1 year PCS
 -- Chief of Air Cell, AF 0-4, 1 year PCS
- -- Navy Program Manager, SAO, 0-5, 1 year PCS (currently 0-4)
- -- Exercises and Engagement, AF 0-5, 1 year PCS

NEW PERMANENT BILLETS REQUESTED

- -- Deputy Chief of ODRP, Army 0-6
- -- Deputy Chief, SAO Requesting AF O-5, 1-year PCS

- -- Deputy Army Programs Manager, SAO Requesting Army O-4, 1-year PCS
- -- Deputy Air Force Programs Manager, SAO Requesting AF O-4, 1-year PCS
- -- Deputy Navy Programs Manager, SAO Requesting Navy O-4, 1-year PCS
- -- Special Programs Requesting Army O-5 or O-6 SOF to develop/implement/coordinate engagements with Pakistan military, 1 year PCS
- -- Marine Corps LNO Requesting MC O-4, 1 year PCS
- -- Chief Plans Officer Requesting Army O-5, 1-year PCS -- Airport Liaison NCO Requesting AF E-6, 1 year PCS
- -- Training Officer, SAO Requesting Army O-4, 1-year PCS -- Budget/Comptroller, SAO Requesting O-3 with budget and audit skills to oversee CSF and other funding to Pakistan for a 1-year PCS

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